

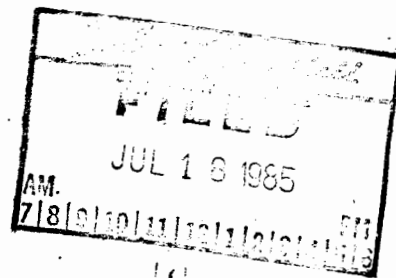
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Executive Department



State of South Carolina

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 85-20

WHEREAS, J. Elbert Pope, Sheriff of York County, has been indicted by the Grand Jury of York County on several charges including Embezzlement of Public Funds and Misconduct in Office; and

WHEREAS, I am informed that J. Elbert Pope will be brought to trial pursuant to said indictments; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, §8 of the South Carolina Constitution requires the Governor to suspend any officer of the State or its political subdivisions who is indicted by a grand jury on the charge of embezzlement of public or trust funds and appoint an officer in his stead until he shall have been acquitted; and

WHEREAS, I, as Governor of the State of South Carolina, am mindful of the duties and responsibilities vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State.

NOW, THEREFORE, by the virtue of such authority, it is ordered that J. Elbert Pope, Sheriff of York County be and hereby

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is suspended from the Office of Sheriff of York County until such time as he shall be formally acquitted.

This action in no manner addresses itself to the question of the guilt or innocence of J. Elbert Pope and shall not be construed as an expression of any opinion one way or another on such question.

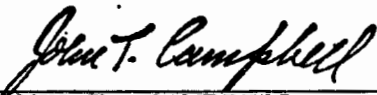
I hereby appoint John Milton Hunsucker to serve as temporary Sheriff of York County until the charges against J. Elbert Pope are disposed of.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE
GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF
SOUTH CAROLINA; THIS 18th DAY
OF JULY, 1985.



RICHARD W. RILEY
Governor

ATTEST:



JOHN T. CAMPBELL
Secretary of State